

**COMMENT OF THE DAY**

**A Ticklish Situation**

THE decision of the Indian custodial team to hand back tomorrow 22,000 prisoners of war in Korea to their original captors creates a situation for which no provision was made in the terms of the armistice. It could also have unfortunate repercussions. General Thimayya may feel fully justified in wanting to wash his hands of further responsibility of looking after prisoners who continue to refuse to obey the procedure laid down in the armistice of listening to "explanations" from Communist and United Nations Command representatives, but for him to insist that these men must remain prisoners of war until a Korean political conference is convened is to give to the true conditions an unacceptable interpretation. The United Nations Command has firmly, and properly, indicated that as from January 23, all unrepatriated prisoners in its hands will revert to civilian status and will be given their freedom. What is not known is how the Communists intend to deal with the situation. They may, for example, refuse outright to take back any prisoners, in which case the custodial forces are presented with a nice little problem. The Communists may even go further and declare that the handing back of prisoners before they have gone through the process of "explanations" is such a violation of the truce that it renders the Korean armistice null and void. It may be taken for granted that the Communists will raise a loud howl of protest over the procedure, for the release of the POWs represents at least a propaganda blow to the Reds, and vindication of the United Nations which from the first adopted the truce negotiations that no prisoner should be repatriated against his will.

THE bigger question is whether the Communists will seize the situation as an excuse for resuming hostilities. The probabilities are that they will not take such an extreme step. They have nothing to gain from such an action, either militarily or politically. Moreover, Russia probably feels that it is essential the proper atmosphere should be created for the forthcoming Four Power talks in Berlin, and this could not possibly result if the Chinese Communists and North Koreans repudiated the Korean armistice and resumed military operations. Whether or not the Russians are sincere in their expressed desire to negotiate with the Western Powers for a settlement of the Austrian peace treaty, agreement on the future of Germany, and the advancement of President Eisenhower's plan for an atomic energy "pool," they must, at least for the time being, sustain the appearance of good faith—an exercise which would be immediately ruined if the Communists initiated new fighting in Korea. The Peking Government also has to keep an eye on the not distant future. Under no circumstances could a Five Power conference (with Communist China taking part) be arranged if Peking once again became a military aggressor in Korea in defiance of the armistice; furthermore whatever support there might exist today for Red China's admission to the UN, would automatically disappear. It is, therefore, not unreasonable to expect that the handing back of POWs will be accompanied by violent protests from the Communists, but without any drastic change in the situation in Korea.

# VAST SALVAGE OPERATION FOR COMET PLANE

## ADMIRAL MOUNTBATTEN IN CHARGE

### Seeking Evidence Of Sabotage

London, Jan. 18.

Ships from Britain's Mediterranean Fleet steamed into what may become the deepest sea salvage operation in Royal Naval history today, in a detective-thriller bid to raise the wreckage of a jet airliner from the jagged sea floor of Italy to see if a saboteur had placed a time bomb aboard. Simultaneously, security agents opened investigations on British airline routes nearly half-way around the world, hunting for evidence of sabotage that might have downed the Comet on January 10, killing 35 persons.

The British frigate Wrangler and the destroyer Sursay hoisted anchor at Malta and ploughed through the choppy Mediterranean to send down "pings" with their submarine location devices and listen for tell-tale echoes from the sea floor that might mark the metal hulk believed to lie 10 miles south of Calamita Point, near the Isle of Elba.

### Ultimatum Rejected By Semi-Starved Sailors

Genoa, Jan. 18.

Eight hungry sailors who have staged a stay-aboard strike on their ship since November 17 ignored an ultimatum to get off today and worried diplomats debated whether to have the Italian police throw them off.

Captain Fernand Wycke issued the 24-hour ultimatum at 11 a.m., yesterday to the eight Belgian, Portuguese and Spanish crewmen, who refuse to leave the Belgian freighter Nadine until the bankrupt owners of the ship pay them some US\$9,000 back wages.

The crewmen declare that nothing short of force will make them leave the Nadine. Under an Italo-Belgian maritime accord it is possible to call in the Italian police in such a case but Emilio Reggiani, local lawyer who is honorary Belgian Consul in Genoa, is reluctant to take such a drastic step.

#### SEMI-STARVED

The stay-aboard strike has been going on since November 17, during which time the crew has endured semi-starvation. They fear that if they leave the ship their back pay will never be paid by the Commerce des Fruits d'Afrique Company of Antwerp, Belgium. The crew's refusal to respond to the ultimatum, which expired at 11 this morning, meant they were stuck off the scene's roll in Belgium. But this was serious only for the Belgian member of the crew, apart from Captain Wycke—who remains aboard.

Signor Reggiani claimed, he was awaiting instructions from the Company headquarters before calling on the Italian police to throw the men off. He was also discussing the matter with the Portuguese and Spanish Consuls, asking them to try to persuade their nationals to leave the Nadine.—United Press.

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, Mr. Alan Llewellyn-Booth, arrived in Italy to check for himself on the progress of attempts to locate the sunken wreckage that is believed to hold the answer to the mystery of the crash.

Security officials have flown to Sicily to check the possibility that a saboteur placed an explosive aboard the pride of Britain's civil air fleet.

They checked the life stories of passengers who had boarded the ill-fated plane, to see if any ever had been disaffected.

Admiral Earl Mountbatten took command of what may develop into the deepest salvage operation ever ordered by Britain. Estimates of the plane's depth range down to 450 feet.

The Admiralty ordered headquarters at Malta to send the 1,700-ton salvage vessel Sea Salvor and the Barhill to follow the Wrangler and Sursay into the search as soon as they could get to steam.

Admiral Mountbatten, who received an honorary University degree in Scotland today, was flying to Malta headquarters from which he directs British and NATO warships in the Mediterranean.

**FLYING OUT CAMERA**

The Admiralty ordered a private company, developing special deep water television instruments for the Navy, to deliver the first camera far ahead of schedule so that it can be flown to Italy tomorrow to help the warships in their difficult undersea search.

"This is like looking for a needle in a haystack when you're not sure in what part of the haystack the needle is buried," said an Admiralty spokesman.

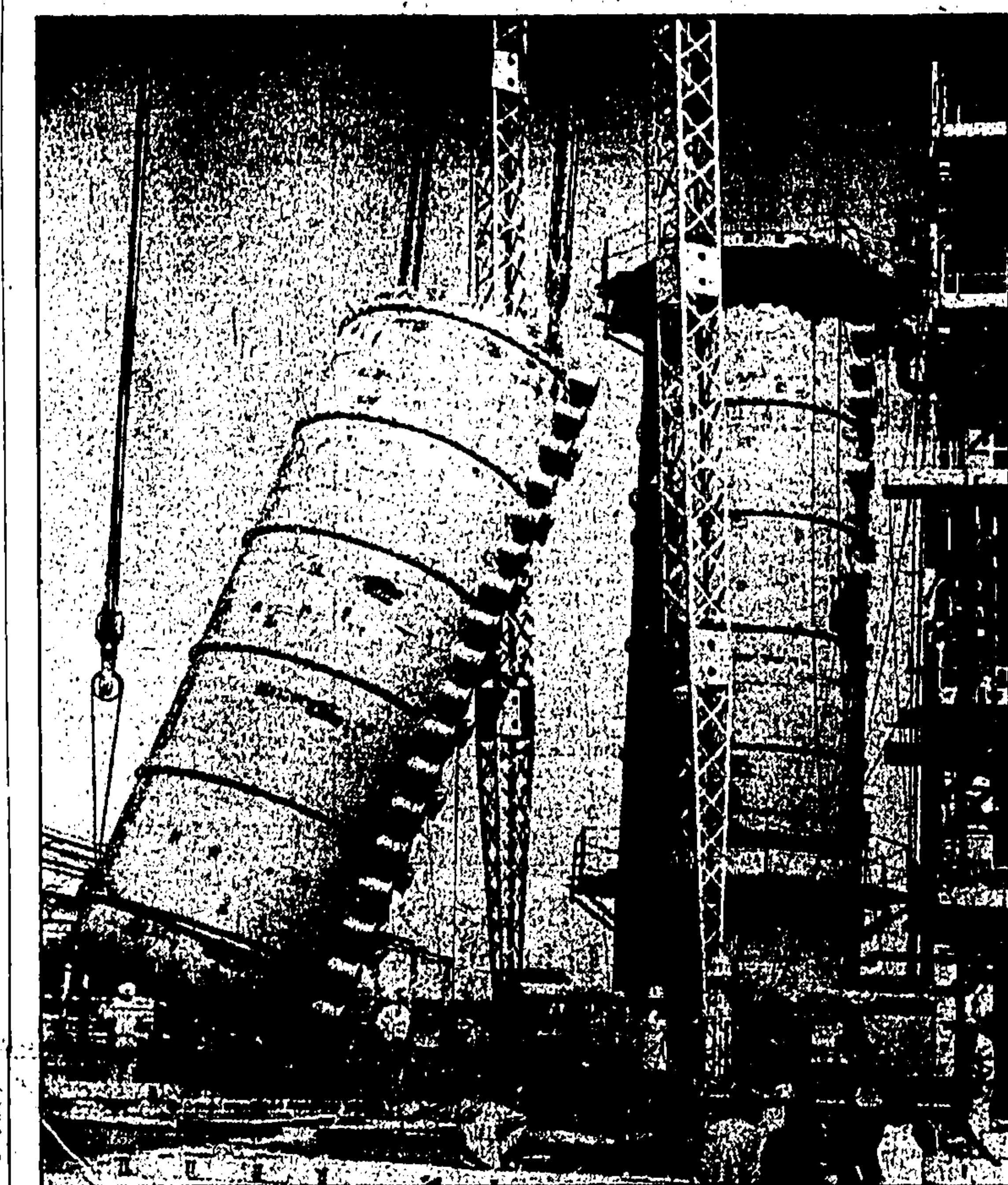
Britain's top naval experts, after consulting detailed Mediterranean sea charts designed to combat Italian midgeet submarines in the area in the last war, said the plane may have settled 450 feet below the surface. Earlier reports estimated the sea depth where the plane plunged eight days ago at about 240 feet.

"Our study of the exact charts, however, indicates that the water is considerably deeper than we thought," said an Admiralty spokesman.

The deepest "operational" dive ever undertaken by the Royal Navy sent a diver some 240 feet under the English Channel to locate the submarine Affray in 1951, an Admiralty official said.

**DIVING SUIT**

A special deepwater diving suit, similar to one used by a naval diver who plunged 500 feet into Scotland's Loch Ness for a British record, was dispatched to a naval airfield to be flown to Italy for the Comet search. It looks like a suit of medieval armour.



## Restricted Passport Orders Issued By Washington

Washington, Jan. 18.

A State Department spokesman said today that orders were given the American Consul in Hongkong to provide Arnold M. Kiehn a United States passport good only for return to this country because his further travel or residence abroad would be "inimical to the interests of the United States."

The spokesman refused to elaborate, but in the past this reason has been given for issuing such passports when the Department believed the individual concerned might damage American prestige by his remarks or actions abroad.

## Reds Claim Sinking A Gunboat

London, Jan. 18.

A French gunboat was sunk in the Red River delta when it rushed reinforcements to Dongxulen, the stronghold south of Haiphong, the New China News Agency said today quoting Vietnam News Agency reports.

Two companies of European and African forces were wiped out, the reports added.

Prior to the siege of Dongxulen, Vietnamese forces staged a surprise attack on the provincial capital of Thanh Hoa and destroyed two enemy bases in the district.

"These successes" the agency commented, "testify to the growing strength of Vietnamese forces in the last back area of the Red River."

Kiehn, who was released from a gaol in Red China on January 3, said in Hongkong earlier today that he did not want the one-way passport home but a regular passport permitting him to go anywhere he could.

The Department said orders to Hongkong to issue only limited passports were sent to the Consul there long ago, even before Kiehn had been seized by the Red Chinese on charges of illegally possessing firearms.

The authority for the Department to take such action as it has done in the case of Kiehn is based in general on an executive order of the President, dated March 31, 1938.

Under this, the Secretary of State may issue a restricted passport good only for certain purposes.

Department spokesmen declined to say what past actions of Kiehn might have prompted the restriction of his passport, but other sources indicated the government had no evidence of anything for which he could be prosecuted.—United Press.

### Protest Lodged

Panmunjom, Jan. 18. The United Nations Command today announced that it had protested to the neutral nations prisoners supervisors that the Communists were still holding a number of South Korean prisoners who should have been repatriated and were using them as soldiers.—Reuter.

The Aden oil refinery, the largest new oil refinery in the world is now under construction, and is being built for the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company at an approximate cost of £45 million. Plans show the lifting into position of a 40-ton centre section of a crude distillation tower. When completed this unit will have a capacity of 2,500,000 tons per year.

## BOY AND MOTHER REUNITED

London, Jan. 18.

British police today reunited a six-year-old Brooklyn boy with his German mother who flew here to protest his "kidnapping" by his American father.

Police said they had taken six-year-old Jimmy Hillers to an unnamed hotel for a reunion with his mother although the father, Harry Hillers, vowed that "my kid's gonna be raised in Brooklyn as an American."

Hillers, 38, flew here last night from Stuttgart with his son, Scotland Yard detectives removed him from a place at London airport shortly before he was scheduled to fly to America.

Mrs. Hillers, 27, a blonde German war bride, arrived from Stuttgart tonight carrying a German court order giving her custody of the child. She was met at the airport by officials of Scotland Yard and the German Consulate.

Young Jimmy, who had expected to spend the night at a hotel with the war veteran father, was taken away by police an hour before Mrs. Hillers' plane arrived. He sobbed wildly when told he would have to spend the night with a police "matron"—United Press.

## Consorted With Terrorists

Singapore, Jan. 18.

A ten-year-old boy was killed and a woman wounded when a security force patrol attacked two terrorist camps in the Grik area of Perak last Sunday. The boy and woman were "consorting with terrorists," a Government communiqué said.—China Mail Special.

### FOUR POWER CONFERENCE

## What To Discuss Will Be First Of The Problems

London, Jan. 18.

The first East-West tussle at the Berlin conference opening next Monday, will be the conference topics and the order in which they are to be discussed, diplomatic circles here said today.

Communist eve of the conference statements make it unmistakably clear that the Soviet and Western Foreign Ministers will meet at the table with contradictory views on what they are to talk about.

The Russians have already given notice that they will raise, as a priority question, the convening of a later conference with Communist China to negotiate an easing of world tension.

The Western powers have said that for them the main topic will be the reunification of Germany on the basis of free elections throughout all four zones.

But Herr Otto Grotewohl, the East German Prime Minister, paved the way for a Soviet rejection of this last weekend by declaring that the key problems at the Berlin conference would be "world peace" and recognition of Communist China as one of the great powers.

Germany, he told his German audience, was not the key problem. It was tacitly agreed in the diplomatic exchanges between Moscow and the Western capitals which led to the conference, that the Foreign Ministers themselves would fix the agenda when they arrived in Berlin.

Last week's negotiations about the conference site suggest that this will be a lengthy procedure. Western diplomats here are convinced that Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, will attempt from the start to get his Western opposite numbers to talk about general world tension and the debate to disarmament, his demand for the outlawing of atomic weapons and abandonment of foreign military bases by the West.

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**COUNTER-MOVE**  
The Western Ministers will counter any such move by demanding proof of Soviet sincerity in the form of Mr. Molotov's agreement to free elections in Germany and the grant of freedom to Austria.

The only item which both sides have already agreed to discuss is "European security". But the identity of views is strictly limited to the subject's title.

Recent articles in Pravda, the Soviet Communist party newspaper, attacking the European security pact, through which West Germany is scheduled to rearm, showed that Soviet hostility to the scheme is such that nothing short of the West's abandonment of it will be Mr. Molotov's price for serious discussion of the future peace of Europe.

The Western Ministers are united, refusing even to consider such a demand. The Pravda also confirmed the West's fears about Russia's attitude to a German settlement. "The so-called 'free election'"

it declared, brought the Hitler and other "dictatorial cliques" in history to power. Since the holding of free German election, on the Western model is a cardinal principle of the West, the prospects for agreement on Germany unity are no brighter than they are for reaching some sort of accommodation with the Russians which would guarantee peace in Europe, officials here fear.—China Mail Special.

## Reds Plan New Strikes

London, Jan. 19.

Communist union leaders were planning bigger blows for next week in their wages battle as about 30,000 British electricians staged a nationwide one-day strike yesterday in the face of threats from employers that they would be "locked out" today for striking.

Officials of the Electrical Trades Union told 7,000 strikers at three mass meetings in London yesterday that they would be called on to stage a seven-day token stoppage next week.

The meetings pledged unanimous support to any further action the Union might order—including a token strike which will begin on Monday.

Reports indicated last night that nearly 30,000 men obeyed yesterday's 24-hour strike call at new atom plants, oil refineries, power stations, coal mines, airfields and housing estates.

Twenty thousand men alone turned up at mass meetings in 25 major industrial towns and cities, Mr. W. C. Stevens, General Secretary of the Union, said last night.

Employers last night disagreed with the Union's claim of "100 per cent success." Mr. L. C. Penwill, leader of over 3,000 employers involved, counter-claimed that men were at work as usual in "hundreds of cases."—Reuter.

Are you about to transfer residence to the U.K.?

Everybody asks me how I got it so quickly, as there is still a long wait for most of the popular small models. I am still congratulating myself that I bought it through you.







# US Carrier Aircraft Can Drop A-Bombs

## NEW STRIKING POWER FOR SIXTH FLEET

Lisbon, Jan. 18.

Vice Admiral John Cassady, Commander of the United States 6th Fleet, said in a press conference today that "the aircraft we have embarked in our carriers today have the capability of delivering the atomic bomb."

He recalled a recent announcement by the United States Defence Secretary, Mr Charles Wilson, that the United States was sending two squadrons of pilotless aircraft to be based in Europe.

Commenting on this, Admiral Cassady said, "that, together with the increased capability of the Navy and the Army to make greater use of atomic weapons, I think, serves the purpose of the United States to do everything possible to preserve the peace of the world."

"Our carrier-based planes can take off from a carrier with an atomic bomb, carry it hundreds of miles and drop it on a target. Then the plane will return and land back on the carrier to prepare itself for another mission," he said.

Admiral Cassady said the status of the 6th Fleet was built around its aircraft carriers. The American Press Attache in Lisbon, Mr Abram Mannel, pointed out to reporters that Admiral Cassady spoke of the capability of carrier-based planes to deliver an atomic bomb, but did not say the bomb was already on board the carrier.

More than 30 ships of the American Navy and about 15,000 people are gathered in Lisbon this week for the operation of relieving ships of the 6th Fleet.—Reuter.

### RUSSIA'S H-BOMB

Berlin, Jan. 18. Germans released from Soviet Zone camps reported today that the Communist authorities had warned them that the Russians would be ready to use the hydrogen bomb "in a very short time."

About 150 prisoners returned to Berlin from a group of 643 prisoners released just one week before the Big Four Berlin conference, on Moscow orders. They had been sentenced by Soviet courts after 1945 for war crimes and alleged crimes against the Russian occupation.

Some of the prisoners said the Communist Secret Police had tried hard to dissuade them from returning to the West and had warned them that Russia would be ready to use the atom bomb in the near future.

The prisoners, who arrived in Berlin from Soviet Zone camps at Bautzen, Brandenburg, Torgau, Halle, Luckau and Untermythen in Thuringia, said before their release Communist Secret Police agents warned them not to go to the West because the Soviet Union also had the hydrogen bomb and

needed only a little more time to get it ready for use. "We have the hydrogen bomb, and need only very little time. Therefore, there is no point in your going to the West," they were told.—United Press.

## New York Film Ban Is Reversed

Washington, Jan. 18. The Supreme Court ruled unanimously today that New York State and Ohio improperly censored two controversial movies.

New York had forbidden the showing of the French film "La Ronde" and Ohio censors had banned the crime movie "M". New York censors called "La Ronde" immoral. Ohio said "M" was harmful to the public. The cases were carried to the highest tribunal with the argument that any censorship violated the Constitutional guarantee of free speech and press.

The High Court announced its action in a brief order which said only that judgments given by the highest courts of Ohio and New York were reversed. The state courts had held that the films could be censored. During an argument of the case on January 6-7, the court was told that six states and some 50 cities had film censorship laws.

The states, in addition to New York and Ohio, are Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and Kansas. **SAW BOTH FILMS** Before listening to the arguments the justices saw both "La Ronde" and "M" at a private showing in the Supreme Court building. The order gave no indication in its reasoning, its decision might be so far as the film industry is concerned.

It merely cited a 1952 decision which held that films are entitled to the Constitutional guarantee of free speech and press. The court said at that time, however, that these guarantees did not give absolute freedom to show every sort of movie at all times and all places.

In its 1952 decision the court said New York State could not legally ban the movie "The Miracle" on the ground that it was sacrilegious.

Justice Clark, author of that opinion, said that to permit a state to ban a film on the ground "would set the censor adrift on a boundless sea amid a myriad of conflicting currents of religious views, with no charts but those provided by the most local and powerful orthodoxes."—Reuter.

## British Guiana Commission Begins Sitzings

Georgetown, British Guiana, Jan. 18. The three-man constitution commission for British Guiana appointed by the British Government began its public sittings in the Law Courts here today.

Only 47 spectators and four police officials were present. The People's Progressive Party of the deposed Premier, Dr Cheddi Jagan, was not represented.

The commission has the task of drawing up a new constitution to replace that suspended by the British Government. No members of the legislature were present at today's sittings. The members of the commission are Sir James Robertson, chairman, Sir Donald Jackson, and Thomas Walsh, expert Mr George Woodcock.—France Press.



French Premier Joseph Laniel has now lasted seven months in office—longer than any of his recent predecessors. Here he is seen after withdrawing from the Presidential election at Versailles, asking the French Assembly for another vote of confidence. He got it by a big majority.—Express Photo.

## Edinburgh Honours Mountbatten — "Fighting Sailor"

Edinburgh, Jan. 18. Admiral Lord Mountbatten, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, and the last Viceroy of India, and Lady Mountbatten, were honoured today with the Freedom of Edinburgh and made Honorary Doctors of Law by Edinburgh University.

Dr James Miller, Lord Provost of Edinburgh, said during the ceremony that Lord Mountbatten was "one of the most colourful figures of the 20th century."

Professor M. G. Fisher, Dean of the University Faculty of Law, who presented them for capping as Honorary Doctors of Law, said Lord Mountbatten's statesmanship and ability to get on with men of different racial outlook had overcome all difficulties. As Viceroy of India, he had the duty of supervising the transfer of power from the British Government to Indian hands.

He spoke of the Admiral's fame as a "fighting sailor". He also referred to his ingenuity and dislike of the orthodox, which he said, were given full play when he served as Chief of Combined Operations during World War II.

The Freedom of the City was conferred on Lord Mountbatten "in token of the admiration for his distinguished services in the cause of freedom during times of war and peace."

"FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE" Lady Mountbatten received the Freedom of the City "in recognition of her humanitarian work and devotion to nursing and welfare services in the relief of suffering and distress."

Presenting her for capping, Professor Fisher termed her "the Florence Nightingale of the 20th century."

He said she had become a familiar and "beloved" figure in the East End of London during the Blitz when she was in charge of all the St. John ambulance personnel in London.

Though her car was hit by falling masonry several times, she was never hurt.

Lord Mountbatten will leave tomorrow for Malta by way of Paris and Rome to co-ordinate the search for the hulk of the missing British Comet which crashed in the Mediterranean last week.—China Mail Special.

Washington, Jan. 18. Mr Charles Reed, Republican Representative from Illinois, today proposed a bill providing for any person being found guilty of treason or of conspiring to overthrow the Government by force to be deprived of his American citizenship. Mr Reed is Chairman of the House of Representatives Judiciary Committee.—France Press.

Laniel Still  
The Premier

## CALL FOR "ASIAN BLOC" BY CEYLON

### Might Help To Avert A Third World War

New Delhi, Jan. 18.

The Prime Minister of Ceylon, Sir John Kotelawala today called for the establishment of an "Asian Bloc", which "might well be the means of averting a third world war."

He was addressing a meeting of the Indian Council of World Affairs in the Central Hall of the Indian Parliament. The Indian Prime Minister, Mr Nehru, Cabinet Ministers and diplomats were at the meeting.

Sir John Kotelawala said in the United Nations and other world bodies one sometimes heard of "an Asian bloc" probably because the weight of Asian opinion had more than once influenced the trend of debate in those assemblies.

"If unorganised co-operation between Asian countries has proved itself effective in the past, how much more would a better plan of co-ordination of our policies help to stabilise the very delicately balanced international setup of today," he said.

"With the world divided in two camps the emergence of an Asian bloc, if I may use that phrase, which both sides may respect and heed, may well be the only means of averting a third world war."

Sir John Kotelawala said the problems of Asia impoverished by colonial exploitation in the past, could be solved only through mutual co-operation of the Asian nations themselves.

That there should be peace in Asia was vital to any scheme of Asian representation. "The future of Asia cannot be built up on free give aways, foreign gunboat visits and by the mass concentration of armed strength," he declared.—Reuter.

### "MIGHT BLOW UP"

United Nations, N.Y., Jan. 18. "I think that any policy that tends to push India and Pakistan apart is a very dangerous policy," former American Ambassador to India, Mr Chester

## Single European Language Not Favoured

London, Jan. 18. Teachers from the Avo Brussels Treaty countries—Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg—are not in favour of a single language for Western Europe, a pamphlet published here today stated.

Entitled "The Civilisation of Western Europe and the Schools", the pamphlet represents the view of the teachers following meetings held in England, France and the Netherlands between 1949 and 1951.

The teaching of modern languages was one of the subjects on which suggestions were made. The teachers believe that the idea of having only one language was "a snare and a danger."

Every language was a mirror of the people who spoke it. It was impossible to suppress a language by political decree and it would be undesirable to make the attempt.

The pamphlet stressed however that more children should be taught "at least one" foreign language, this could begin as soon as the mother tongue had been mastered.

The pamphlet also urged that national history should be taught in relation of world history. Teaching history in a national spirit, or from an exclusively national point of view was "dangerous."—Reuter.

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## Film Company Hires A Pyramid

Cairo, Jan. 18. A Hollywood film company has hired the Great Pyramid of Giza from the Egyptian Government for two weeks' shooting of film about Egypt. One of the scenes requires a 500-yard slide of a camera by cable from the top of the pyramid to film a "body" bounding step by step to the sand below.—France-Press.

## Vietnam Plans To Increase Army By 80,000

Paris, Jan. 18. The Vietnam Government today tabled plans to increase the strength of its army from 200,000 to 280,000 men, during the current year.

The proposals were made at a meeting of the Franco-Vietnamese Military Committee in Saigon, which was presided by ex-Emperor Bao Dai, Chief of State of Vietnam.

General Henri Navarre, the French Commander-in-Chief in Indo-China, took part in the discussions during which the whole military situation was reviewed.

French Defence Minister Rene Pleven is planning to visit Indo-China next month, it was learned here tonight.

Today's fighting in Indo-China was limited to patrol activity, according to reports available.—Reuter.

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## Agreement On Immigration Into Ceylon

New Delhi, Jan. 18.

The Ceylonese Prime Minister, Sir John Kotelawala, and the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, today signed an agreement after three days of discussions on the outstanding issues between the two countries regarding illegal immigration and citizenship rights of Indian settlers in Ceylon.

A joint communique emphasised the determination of both countries to continue the present practice of close consultation on matters of mutual interest.

Under the agreement Ceylon will register all adult residents not already included on its electoral register.

Any person thereafter unregistered whose mother tongue is Indian would be presumed to be an illegal immigrant and would be deported, it was said.—United Press.

## Moscow Calls For End Of Indo-China War

London, Jan. 18.

Moscow Radio today renewed its call for an end to the war in Indo-China between French Union forces and Vietnamese rebels.

Russia and Communist China were "constantly advocating the immediate ending of bloodshed in Indo-China," the radio said.

"A great and responsible task lies on the shoulders of the people of Vietnam. It is the achievement of a cease-fire in Indo-China to prevent the imprudences from fanning the fire of a new world war on this territory."—Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle

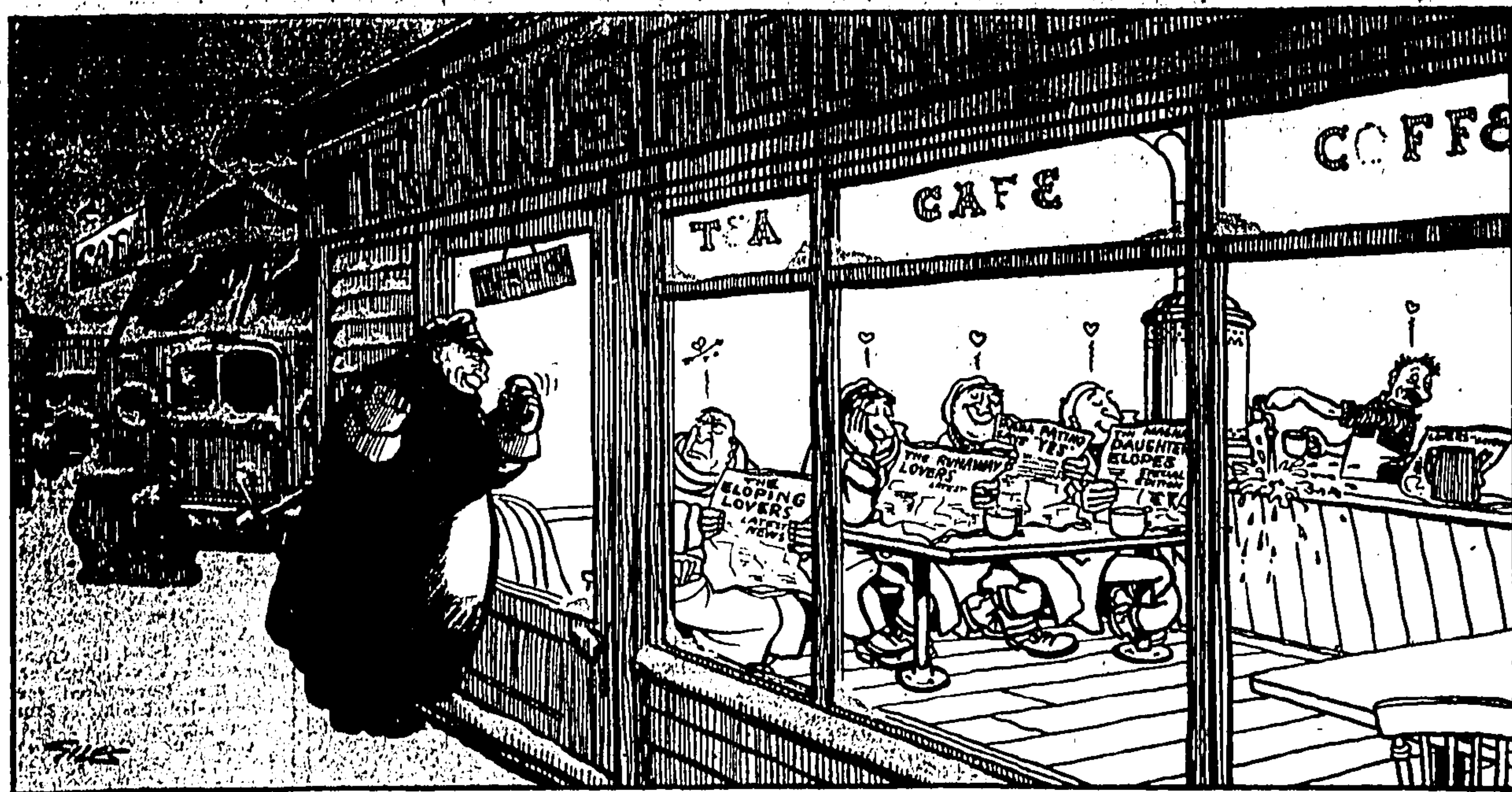


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26 Sent back (8).

**DOWN**  
1 Divert (5).  
2 Routine (5).  
3 Firing shots from hiding (7).  
4 Fashion (4).  
6 Birds (4).  
7 Venturous (8).  
10 Window (5).  
11 Narrow towards the point (5).  
16 Rusted (7).  
19 Arise (8).  
17 Drury (6).  
20 Boundary (5).  
21 Incited (8).  
22 Slope (4).  
23 Lake (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Supposed, 7 Clasp, 8 Rotating, 10 Lasso, 13 Proceed, 15 Rope, 17 Entered, 19 Popular, 20 Arum, 21 Languid, 22 Gentle, 27 Reporter, 28 Years, 29 Treasure, Down: 1 Sculp, 2 Pause, 3 Spruce, 4 Pent, 5 Sailor, 6 Dressed, 9 Ordinal, 11 Error, 12 Scrum, 14 Enrage, 16 Reign, 18 Parol, 19 Parrot, 20 Purple, 22 Nerve, 23 Utter, 24 Dense, 25 Part.





"On your feet, Cupid—we've got a flat tyre."

London Express Service

## DEADLY WEDLOCK... second day

# I KNEW HE'D KILL ME THIS TIME

Nickie, a famous model, discovers that her husband has murdered her people. As she cannot give evidence against him while still his wife she decides to divorce him—and send him to the gallows. But she knows that if he guesses her plan he will kill her too.

By Leonard Mosley

EVER since I came to London at the age of 18 I have been passing the Law Courts in the Strand without giving them a thought.

They were just a pile of grimy, majestic buildings I saw from the top of a bus, and what did I care what went on inside? Now I know. Every day the intimate lives of scores of people are wheeled into the courts and, as if from a great laundry basket, the dirty linen is spread out to be picked at and pried into.

It is only the first day of the case of Roberts, Nikola versus Roberts, Bristol (husband defending), and yet already I feel uneasy. If it were not for the fact that there is so much at stake, I would yield to the disgust, fear, and weakness in me and give up now. If it were just a divorce that I wanted I don't think I could go through with it. Better just to go away and disappear out of my husband's life.

Only I know it would not work out. When a man like Bristol Roberts is your husband there is no safety in flight. He would find me again, just as he found me last night; and this time, knowing the threat I represented to his life and safety, he would not wheedle and plead. This time, I know, he would kill me.

## THE FERRET

IT was nine o'clock this morning when I left the little service flat I have taken near Piccadilly until this case is over. There was a ferrety little man waiting in the entrance as I came out and looked around for a taxi.

I recognised him at once. He was the man who had been hanging around these flats for the past three days—sneaking, as I now know, on me. I had wondered at first Bristol had found my hide-out, but the ferrety man made it all clear.

After all, what could he see other than to discover me? All Bristol had to do was employ a private inquiry agent, and all the agent need do was wait until I left my solicitors—and then follow me.

The taxi came up then and I told the driver to take me to the Law Courts. The ferrety man made no effort to follow me.



Illustration by ROBB

## A smile in court made me afraid...

It was on my way in towards the court that I saw Bristol.

He crossed a corridor in front of me. There was a man in a wig and gown with him, and they were in earnest conversation; a last conference between client and counsel, I thought bitterly, to make sure that the defence was as plausible as possible.

Behind them walked a girl. I did not recognise her at first, for she was usually dressed in uniform when I had seen her before. But when she turned her face round, I saw that it was Miss Vane—Nurse Edna Vane, my husband's assistant at his surgery.

Why was Edna here? As a witness or spectator? It didn't matter, anyway, I told myself. I had always been kind and thoughtful with Edna. There was no reason to think she could do me harm.

Suddenly she caught sight of me. Her face, already pale, went tight. I was astonished to see a look of black hatred in her eyes. She hurried forward to Bristol and whispered something to him. He turned round too; but he smiled at me.

## 'GIVE IT UP'

I found myself marvelling once again that such a pleasant exterior could conceal the cruel, cunning, and ruthless man that was the real Bristol Roberts. The barrister hustled away to talk to somebody, leaving Bristol and Edna Vane together. They seemed to be arguing about something, and, abruptly, Bristol broke away. I saw he was coming towards me.

That smile again and an outstretched hand. "Nicola, my darling Nickie. So long since I have seen you—and now to meet again in a place like this."

Suddenly, like an extinguished light, the smile dropped and the hand that was gripping mine was hurting. He looked around and said: "Call it off, you fool, before it's too late. You can't win."

"You're hurting me, Bristol," I said.

"I'll hurt you still more," he whispered, gesturing at the court, "when we get in there. I'll throw your reputation on the muck-heap. I'll prove that you're lucky to have me—that no one else would put up with such a slut. Give it up now, Nickie—before you lose this case in court and have to come crawling back to me, like a whipped dog. I warn you—"

"Well, now, what is all this?" it was the voice of my solicitor speaking from my elbow. "Really, Dr Roberts, you should not be talking to my client. You had better leave us."

The smile came back on to Bristol's face. "So sorry. I was just so glad to see my wife again, I forgot the rules." He turned to go back to Edna Vane. "So long, Nickie. And whatever happens—good luck."

## SORDID SIDE

AT which I was introduced to my counsel and we went into the court. It was the first sickening encounter of a miserable day.

It like me until today, all you know about divorce courts is what you read in the newspapers, the reality is a shock. For all the newspapers report are the discreet, and carefully considered summings-up by the judge—the details that he considers fit for us to read, and no more.

But in court there is no such reticence. The nasty little stories about marriage gush out; the sordid side of married knavery.

If you want a divorce, it is no use holding back. You have to tell, putting the words "I am locking the back-drawers of"

one's mind and pulling out the torn and tattered sufferings and humiliations that were better forgotten.

"This is a case of cruelty," my counsel had begun, "and the evidence given by the petitioner and her witnesses will be directed to proving that, over a period spanning most of their married life together, the defendant has been persistently cruel, callous, and violent towards his wife, to such an extent as to seriously endanger her health."

They put me into the witness-box and the questioning began. "When was the first time you had a serious quarrel with your husband, Mrs Roberts?"

"About six weeks after we were married."

"What was it about?"

"I hesitated for a moment. 'I objected to my husband being too familiar with his women patients.'"

## MY BABY

MY counsel leaned forward, soothingly. "Could you give us a little more detail about the incident? What happened, exactly?"

"I came into his surgery, after the nurse had told me all his patients had gone, and found him embracing a woman."

"How was the woman dressed?" asked counsel.

"She wasn't," I said. Questions like that, told in all their grimy particulars. I went over that first quarrel, and the next, and the next. Until finally we came to the question: "There was the first time your husband struck you, Mrs Roberts. When was that?" A long pause. "Come now, don't be afraid to speak out."

I said: "It was the night I told Bristol—my husband—that I was going to have a child. I thought he would be pleased. But he wasn't. He was furious and angry. I couldn't understand why—at the time. He came over to me and shook me and called me a fool. He said I would never have the child, that he would see it was never born. And when I stood up to him, he hit me."

Counsel nodded. "And what happened to the child, Mrs Roberts? Eventually, I mean."

"It died," I said dully. "There was an accident."

## ONE MAN

THE disinterment went on, through the morning and the afternoon, digging up the sorrows of my life with Bristol like bones from a graveyard.

It was just before the adjournment of the first day that my counsel asked me: "If your husband was so persistently cruel to you in those first months, Mrs Roberts, why do you think he married you?"

For a moment I was tempted to tell the truth—to say Bristol married me to shut my mouth and make him safe from a murder charge. Instead I said, keeping my voice flat: "Because he couldn't get me any other way. He never loved me. He just wanted me."

Said my counsel: "Would you describe yourself as a virtuous woman?"

"Yes," I said, and looked towards Bristol sitting in the pride as I spoke. And then my court and my hopes suddenly crumbled, and fear took their place.

"For Bristol was grinning. It was easy to see why. Sitting next to him on the bench was a man I had never expected to see again; a man I had once loved dearly, until he let me down; a man whose face still brought a sweet pain to my heart."

Jeffrey Baring! What was he doing in court, and why was he sitting next to Bristol? What mischief for me were they working up between them?

## TOMORROW!

THE YARD MAN CALLS

## CANADA'S BOOM GOES ON!

CANADA IS NOW THE WORLD'S THIRD TRADING NATION—AND WELL ON THE WAY TO BECOMING A WORLD POWER. WHAT HAPPENS TO THE CANADIAN ECONOMY IS A MATTER FOR WORLD CONCERN. AND CANADIANS, UNLIKE THEIR AMERICAN NEIGHBOURS, ARE PREDICTING BIGGER AND BETTER THINGS FOR 1954.

By JOHN McKENNA

Toronto, 13th January.

THINGS are still booming in boomland.

While American economists mutter about "orthodox recessions" and American newspapers whisper the hated word "slump," Canadians are confidently predicting bigger profits, more employment, more production and stepped-up exports.

The very day the American economists were prophesying a minor doom, one Canadian newspaper whooped: "It's Cash Register Symphony in '64'."

And all this optimism is not just brash Canadian high spirit, either. Behind the whoop-de-do lies an impressive array of hard facts.

Moreover, the optimists' front line contains an impressive array of names: Trade Minister C. D. Howe, Canadian Chamber of Commerce President W. J. Borrie, Canadian Manufacturers' Association spokesman J. A. Calder, and Canadian Bank of Commerce President James Stewart.

If they are right, what they have to say is of vital world importance.

## Biggest Customer

The U.S. is Canada's biggest customer—and the reverse is equally true. The two economies are tightly interwoven. A boom in one can absorb a lot of shock in the other.

Even more significant, the Canadian Government is predicting that 1954 will see no fall in American imports. If that is true, Britain has little to fear.

But, even assuming that American imports from Britain are aided by a minor "orthodox recession," increased Canadian business might well offset the effect.

That may account for some of the optimism Mr Butler has been expressing in Sydney.

But let's look at some of the facts.

Canada has been undergoing a drastic transformation for the past 15 years. Before the war, Canada's economy rested

primarily on agriculture. The part of the national wealth which didn't come from the farm came mostly from primary production—minerals, timber, fish.

Now Canada is an industrial power as well. And her industrial output has been added to a steadily increasing agricultural and mineral output. A rich vein of oil—stretching from northern British Columbia across the prairies through Alberta to Saskatchewan—lapped off the boom.

The effect has been staggering. In 1939, national production amounted to a mere \$5,500,000,000. In 1953, it topped \$24,000,000,000.

While production was climbing apace, the population went up a bare 25 percent.

Looking policies, designed to spread to other nations a standard of living equal to our own, prevail.

That point is a good one to wind up on. In it lies the clue to Canada's belief in future prosperity—a prosperity she hopes to share with the Commonwealth.

But let Mr Calder explain: "Canada is contributing to a Commonwealth plan, known as the Colombo plan, which is an attempt to raise the living standard of people in South and Southeast Asia; an attempt to break the back of famine, hunger, poverty and disease."

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In other words, Canada is busy CREATING business. The more people there are in the world who are enjoying high living standards, the bigger the demand for goods. Canadians think that is a good argument for the Colombo plan—and a very good argument for Commonwealth co-operation.

Las Vegas. YOU can sit munching chicken on a scarlet settee, and the highest-paid "bait" in history—Marlene Dietrich, Bob Hope, Danny Kaye, the Gabors (all three of 'em) will sing to you, dance for you. It's just part of the Las Vegas service.

If ever a city was built from a pack of cards, it's this. You can gamble anywhere, any time, on anything. And the £10,000-a-week stars are just part of the background—the build-up to get you round the gambling-tables.

Last year more than 9,000,000 tourists swarmed to this city carved out of the desert, where every tree and clump of grass has been brought in and planted by hand.

Between them they gambled almost a billion dollars—three hundred million pounds, nearly a fifth of our total defence spending.

STAR-STUDDED The names of the stars who have helped to pack them in read like a directory of glamour: Betty Hutton, Judy Canova, Tullulah Bankhead, Sena Henle, Marlene Dietrich, Danny Kaye, Mickey Rooney. And now (at 40,000 dollars a week for the three) the gorgeous Gabors.

I sat at a cellophane-covered table at Ciro's while they gave me a preview. In sweaters and skirts they strutted, sang and argued in Hungarian, French, German—even English.

They were good. I told them

## Good Argument

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## Will It Rise?

The question is: Will production continue to rise? Trade Minister Howe (the man who engineered wartime production and earned himself the tag "Minister of Everything") is being cautious—as always.

"I am hopeful that there will be an increase in the national product in 1954," he told the nation. "Though it probably won't be quite so large as last year's." Last year, the gain was a whopping \$1,200,000,000.

Chamber of Commerce man Borrie was being for him, down right pessimistic. "The major task for Canadians in 1954 may be a consolidation of gains made during the postwar period prior to a further increase from the present plateau."

Bank of Commerce President Stewart pulled out most of the stops. He not only sees a growing production but looks forward to a fall in prices.

J. A. Calder, first vice-president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, sees "no reason why prosperity shouldn't continue to increase."

Very well. But are they SURE Canada won't get tangled up with the "orthodox recession?"

## No Worry

Listen to what they say: Mr Howe: "There is nothing in the overall picture to indicate any serious interruption in the generally prosperous conditions now prevailing."

Mr Borrie: "What many people do not realize is that current expansion in Canada has been largely due to an upsurge in civilian sectors of the economy." Meaning, that, since the major fear has been the effect of a defence slackening following the Korean war, Canadians need not worry.

Mr Stewart: "I foresee a slackening of commodity prices following a high rate of capital investment and a marked rise in productivity. This may rightly be taken as heralding an era, not of restricted employment, but of continuing or increased prosperity not only in terms of dollars, which may be illusory, but of goods which are tangible."

Mr Calder: "The demand for basic staples from Canada will continue to rise if forward-

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## Colonel UP and Mr. DOWN... by Walter



## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Don't Let Strange Bid Upset You

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By OSWALD JACOBY

TOURNAMENT bridge has become so popular in recent years that you can travel all over the world and find fellow enthusiasts who will join you in a game and understand your bid and play even if they can't understand your language.

Tournaments are conducted in the United States and Canada by the same organization — the American Contract Bridge League. They even conduct an annual tournament in Mexico City, and another in Honolulu.

The annual Hawaiian tournament was played last October and many of the ranking bridge stars of the United States flew there to take part. Among the well-known players of the west coast who were scheduled to compete for the Hawaiian championship was Doug Steen, the dealer in the hand shown today.

Don't let the strange bidding throw you. East was a player who liked to bid whenever his turn came. It didn't do him much good on this hand, because the fact that East could bid both black suits helped declarer in the play of the hand.

West opened the six of spades. Steen played the eight of spades from the dummy. East covered with the jack, and declarer ruffed. Steen knew that he could discard one low club on dummy's ace of spades, but what was he to do with the others?

If he tried to ruff them in dummy, West would overruff, and as a matter of fact, there was reason to fear that West would ruff the ace or king of clubs if South tried such a plan.

Steen decided not to try the plan of ruffing clubs. Instead he drew three rounds of trumps, immediately discarded one club on the third round of trumps. He next entered dummy with a diamond and led the nine of spades. East covered with the queen, and South ruffed with his last trump.

South next took the queen and ace of diamonds, forcing East to make two discards. East had to throw one spade and one club, keeping three clubs and the guarded king of spades. Thereupon, Steen cashed the top clubs and gave East a club trick, after which East was obliged to give dummy the last two tricks with the ace and ten of spades.

## CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:  
North East South West  
1 Heart Pass 1 Spade Pass  
2 Spades Pass  
You, South, hold: Spades K-J-7-3, Hearts 8-2, Diamonds A-J-6-2, Clubs K-Q-3. What do you do?

A—Lead three no-trump. You have 14 points in high cards, the weakest opening bid. You must suggest no-trump because of your balanced distribution and strength in the unbid suits. If North takes you back to spades, you will accept his choice.

## TODAY'S QUESTION

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ANSWER: Tomorrow

## BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

TO every reader of this column, whether animal, vegetable, or mineral, a happy year, especially to the perceptive vegetable who accused me of being "an aesthete in disguise," and seems to have guessed that a valet in ancient Greek costume wakes me every morning at 11.30 a.m. with a glass of Creme de Menthe, and two olives from the hills above Cavalaire.

While my bath is being prepared, I read a poem or two of Plath, strike a note on my electronic, and put my age Mabou. Then, thrusting my feet into hand-woven slippers from Cyprus, I walk into my Louis XI bathroom, and lie in the bath until my under-socker strikes. At midnight, I pour which summons me to a late breakfast of smoked goose and pomme-anate juice.

We await Miss Borchardt. Snapdriver: I learned friend has asked whether the structure in the shape of thick mucus was deliberately imposed on the structure, or not. I think anyone could obstruct a whistle at both ends with their mucus by accident, or without wishing to.

Cocklearrat: One might as well talk of blocking one's pencils with charcoal by accident.

COCKLEARRAT: Not at all, mind. Halfway guards do not use pencils when on duty. Nor has mucus anything to do with charcoal.

COCKLEARRAT: You can't block a whistle with charcoal. It's too small.

Snapdriver: Graciously, charcoal would do it, mind.

Captain Gave: With respect, mind, the charcoal is a red herring. I have seen the inhabitants in M'Wanga plug holes in walls with mud.

Cocklearrat: What of it? We will now hear Miss Borchardt's evidence?

Static ballet. "FROZEN BEAUTY," the first static ballet on ice, is a bold experiment. The curtain rises on a dream-like quality which is more vital than violent movement. Nobody moves a muscle until the curtain falls 20 minutes later. One has time to admire the graceful attitudes of the dancers, or rather the dancers are the prisoners of Time, and the concentrated energy of suspended animation is more significant than any movement.

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## YOUR BIRTHDAY By STELLA

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19

BORN today, you must have at all times, even under the stress and strain of a crisis, a sense of humor. You usually think carefully before you act so that when you are going and head straight in the right direction. But there is an unfortunate tendency toward emotional imbalance which you must recognize and learn to control before you can accomplish all the things you most desire.

You have a vivid imagination and a sense of drama which should be utilized in writing of some kind. You are a true student of the fine arts and consider yourself something of a critic. Actually, you possess your own ideas to influence your critics, and a great deal of consequence will probably be better than of the creative professions rather than as a professional critic.

Although truly loving and affectionate, you are not one to make a show of your true feelings and only the closest to you will know how deep and constant you are. You will make a good marriage partner for your lover's life is constant and you enjoy a happy home life and rarely want to go "out of town" for a change of scene. If, however, your domestic life is not to your liking, you will not leave your home and become frustrated and gloomy. Avoid over-indulgence of all kind.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20  
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)—Make full use of your creative ability, but try to be as practical as possible in the execution. AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Opportunities aren't handed out on silver platters all the time. Sometimes you have to look for them.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Keep an eye to the future and make long term plans, but do your day's work competently, as well.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—If you have any spare time, plan your future work for the rest of the entire year, perhaps.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—If there is more confusion than usual, keep your head and act calmly for best results.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—If you have not been answering letters as you should, ease up on your correspondence today if you can.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Be on guard against making careless errors in your routine work. The nearer the end of the year, the more careful you should be.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—A valuable friendship may be offered you today. Take full advantage of it now—for a lifetime, probably.

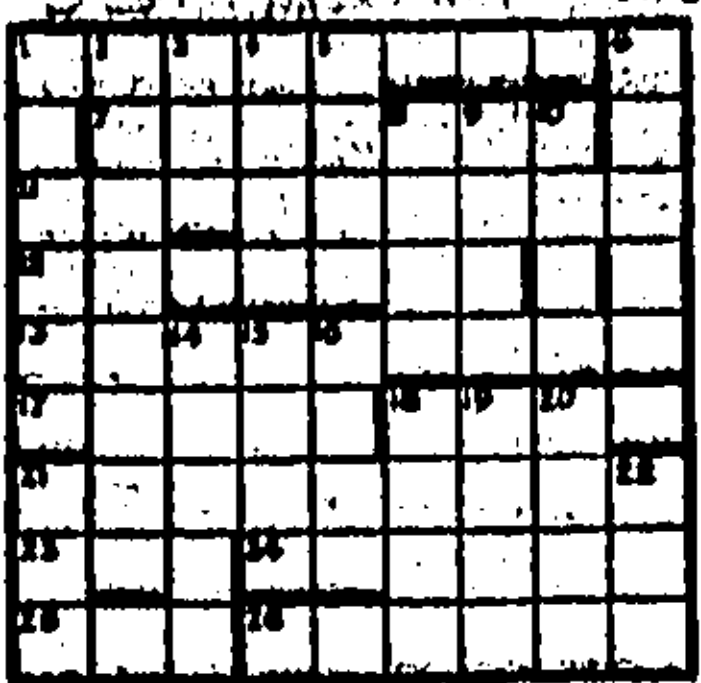
VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—If you have a little less talk than usual, follow good advice.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Get your work done during office hours and you will have an opportunity for social relaxation tonight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Take a good look at your job potential and you may find a chance to advance your "chair" where you work.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—Work hard for whatever you want and you may find that you are enjoying your heart's desire.

## CROSSWORD



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7. Prayed for (6)  
11. One after this is both back-wards (6)  
12. Quilter of the Greeks (7)  
13. There's a need for something which this is around (6)  
14. Ruler to calm says squirrel (5)  
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16. Curiously, this could mean something had a centre-or (6)  
17. No running on this outing (6)  
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19. Finally, appropriately (6)

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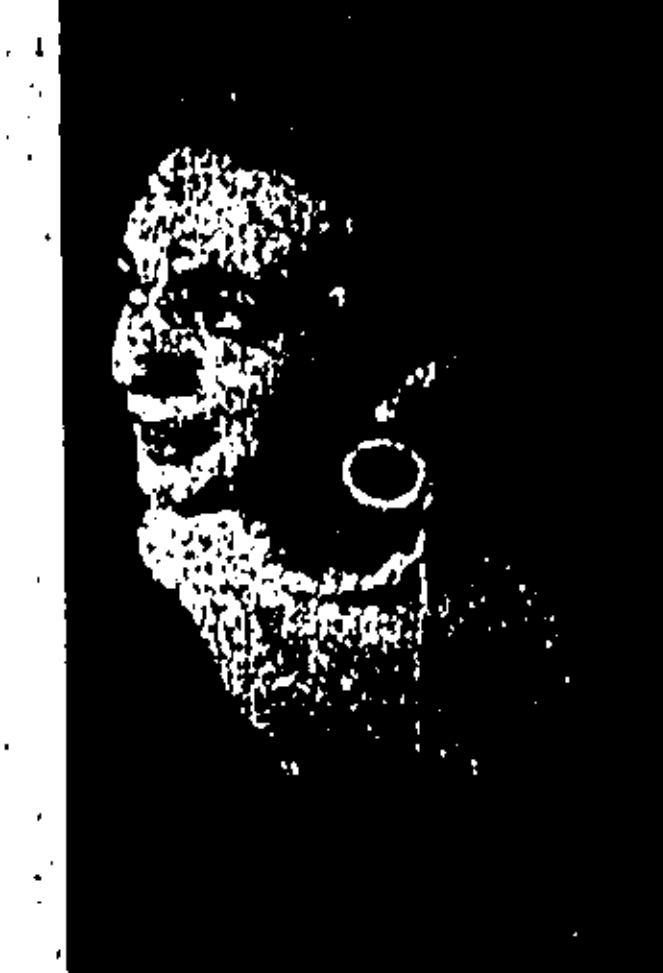
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## WOMANSENSE

## Jungle Jewellery



The bead necklace, inspired by the African snake in the NIGHT film Mogambo, is the latest fashion note in Jewellery. Composed of beads by Elmsa Jewels, it can be worn also as a garter or bracelet. The snake's mouth is sprung to clip on to the body and it can be adjusted to any size. Showing it in the pictures is Jean Clark from Coventry, who is also wearing Mogambo earrings copied from those worn by natives in the film. —Routledge.

## They Exchange Their Tresses for Furniture

By PATRICIA FISHLEY

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD Tatiana Cecuzzi, who lives in a small Italian village, believes that she has the longest hair in the world. This might well be so, for her beautiful wavy tresses, which fall right down to the hemline of her dress, are no less than 3½ feet in length. How long will it be, however, before the shrewd eye of a human hair collector spots her crowning glory and persuades her to part with it.

Today any woman who has a healthy head of hair may, with a few quick snips of the scissors, turn it into hard cash. For business is booming among the perriquiers — the people who fashion wigs and toupees to disguise bald patches.

In Britain alone, more than a million people wear transformations, and it is estimated that a further million Britons are partly or completely bald.

Most of the hair obtained by British perriquiers comes from Northern Italy, where the women grow the finest hair in the world. The long-haired girls of the mountains barter their tresses with the dealers for dress lengths, coats of white or furnishings for their homes. Money means little to them and they seldom refer to it.

Other sources of supply are the convents and nunneries in France. The hair of the novices is cut when they enter the convents and sold for hard cash to the dealers.

Prices for cut hair vary according to weight, length, col-

our and texture. The most highly priced is the fine silvery white hair which is so rare and difficult to obtain, and for which £10 and over is paid for an ounce. Black hair is the coarsest and the cheapest.

Wig making is a task which needs much time and patience. The strands of hair are knotted to a base of fine silk, or net made of human hair, which is stretched over a block that is shaped to the client's head. At the parting, each strand must be knotted separately, but on other parts of the net, hairs may be knotted four at a time.

The final product is a masterpiece, which will defy even the closest scrutiny. Most people would be amazed if they knew the number of firm and stage stars who wear whole or partial transformations.

By H. N. Bundesen, M.D.

ALLERGY is a medical term being greatly misused lately by many lay persons. It is receiving the blame for everything from marital incompatibility to plain laziness, as in the case of the individual who is allergic to work.

Actually, it is a form of increased sensitivity which may affect various tissues of the body. It is the result of exposure to a substance to which the individual is extremely sensitive. The reaction develops whenever this substance is contacted, even on the smallest scale.

There are many types of allergies. An individual may have hay fever, asthma, hives, or severe skin symptoms due to his over-sensitivity to one or more substances contacted.

A frequent question asked the doctor is whether allergy tends to run in families.

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## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## A Trip into the Garden Hose

—It Was Fun, but Ended as a Wash-Out!—

By MAX TRELL

CHRISTOPHER CRICKET was saying to Knarf and Hand, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, as they all sat in the warmth of the fireplace:

"Of course, I'm only a cricket, and there are lots of things I don't see and hear, and lots of places where I can't go. On the other hand—"

"You haven't got any hands," interrupted Knarf.

Christopher Cricket laughed. "Well, on the other foot, then. There are lots of other things I do see and hear, and lots of places I can go to that people can't. For instance, yesterday, I crawled into a long rubber hose that I happened to find coiled up at the edge of the lawn. It was very interesting in there."

Knarf and Hand were eager to know more about Christopher Cricket's adventure inside the coils of garden hose.

"I'll be delighted to tell you all about it," Christopher Cricket said. Then he crossed his legs (several legs) comfortably and began:

"Now, when I first saw that garden hose, I wasn't sure exactly what it was. It looked good, like an enormous black worm. But then I saw that it wasn't moving, and more important than anything, a bird was standing on top of it. There's one thing always to remember, if you see a bird standing on something that looks like a worm and the bird isn't doing anything about eating it, you can bet one hundred percent certain that the thing you thought was a worm, isn't a worm."

"It was this bird," continued Christopher, "who told me what the coiled up thing really was. It was a hose! The bird said, 'for sprinkling water on the lawn. I'm standing on it because it's the kind of thing I like to stand on when there isn't anything else I like to stand on better.' Then the bird flew away."

"I took a good look at the hose," said Christopher. "One end of it was attached to the outside garden faucet near the cellar window."

WHAT'S HER LINE? BETTE ROSEN. Remember the letters to spell her name.

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# ASK SUNDERLAND IF DOHERTY ISN'T REALLY "PETER THE GREAT"

Genius is a word so freely bandied about these days, especially in sport, it's lost much of its worth.

Attaching to the name Peter Doherty, however, it really does mean something extra special. Amongst wonderful footballers, exceptional footballers, even brilliant footballers, Doherty still stands out as "Peter the Great."

For while shine many individually, Doherty inspires others to do so as well.

Ask Sunderland. It was the Doncaster side that he built, taught and inspired which on Saturday, January 9, knocked the lavishly-sponsored Westsiders out of the Cup.

And he did build it too. No £30,000 transfers. He joined Doncaster as player-manager in 1949, when assets, financial and playing, were almost rock bottom.

## LABOUR OF LOVE

He decided that salvation lay in teaching the youngsters. A labour of love, it also proved a heart-breaking job. With the team way down in the Third Division North, he had to do something quick. So, his youngsters of the future also had to be the players of the present.

Unable to "nurture" them to maturity, he saw many of his brightest hopes having their football, the football that represented hope, on end of his coaching, knocked out of them through lack of experience.

He could have compromised, taught his lads how to look after themselves, with the odd trick of the trade thrown in. But compromising is not part of Doherty's make-up. With him it's good football or nothing.

It soon paid dividends. In his first season, Doncaster won promotion to the Second Division. The success, however, came a little too early. The team was not ready for it, and had to fight to maintain their new status.

In the first season they barely finished in the top half of the

table. In 1951-52 they dropped to 16th, and did little better last season.

Now they are settled in. But possibly not for long. They are challenging strongly for a place in the First Division, and Doherty's teaching policy is paying such good dividends that he himself is unable to get into the team.

It was as a player that the Doherty genius for inspiring others first revealed itself. Playing for Ireland, the "poor relations" of the Home International soccer countries, his teammates were often drawn from the Third and lower Second Division clubs. With them he had to face the mighty sides of England and Scotland. They were generally beaten, but never disgraced.

So conspicuous was Doherty, with his mop of red hair, it was easier to follow play by watching him rather than the ball. He was always in the thick of the fray.

And the trick he would pull! Pirouetting like a ballerina he'd beat three men in one movement.

## NO BRUTE FORCE

He even brought his touch of genius into penalty kicking. No brute force methods for Peter. Often he would just walk up to the ball, shape to kick it, and change feet at the last second and almost without it past the astounded goalkeeper.

Unlike many great players, Peter was not brought up in football boots—he couldn't afford any. And as his school—St Malachy's Coleraine—was too

small to boast a football team, his soccer career did not begin until he left at 15.

Yet, within two years, he was a professional for Glenora at £2.10s. a week. In those two years he had been a bricklayer, which he gave up because the work was too heavy, and a bus conductor for the service his uncle ran between Coleraine and Port Stewart. This didn't work out because he used to hop off the bus at Coleraine, play for a local team, Station United, and then rejoin the bus after the match.

## £3,000 BARGAIN

In 1933, Blackpool secured his services for the bargain price of £3,000. Three years later he became the fourth player to command a £10,000 fee when he moved to Manchester City.

After the war, disagreement over benefit payments caused him to seek another move. This time he joined Derby County. He was 32, but it was the best £7,000 County ever spent.

For at the Baseball Ground, he teamed up with another approach to the veteran stage to establish an inside forward partnership which rivalled the great James-Jack Arsenal combination of previous years.

Peter Doherty and Raich Carter. What a pair! Carter, the silver-haired maestro, could control the whole game. Doherty, the red-haired maestro, could inspire it.

Together they took Derby to the club's first Cup Final success.

And, even more amazing, whilst they were performing their great soccer double act, they were doing a double job.

Derby saw them only on Fridays and Saturdays. The rest of the week they were helping to fit smashed up air-men for normal work and life again. Both were RAF sergeants attached to a medical rehabilitation unit. Their jobs were highly specialised, a combination of psychology, psychiatry and plain physical training.

In a post-moyle accent and with Jack Doyle blarney, Peter would inject life into the most despondent.

Both he and Carter had their releases deferred to carry on with the work.

A year with Derby, and Doherty made his last move solely as a player. He joined Huddersfield, with whom he had three seasons before taking over at Doncaster.

## INFLUENCE REMAINS

Now he is rarely seen as a player, but his influence remains, not only at Doncaster, but in the international sphere. Ireland, for whom he won 10 caps, appointed him their first team manager.

Playing for six clubs, Doherty is one of the most transferred men in the game. But all his moves did not cost more than £30,000. This is nothing to what Sunderland would give for him were he 20 years younger. —(London Express Service)

## PORT VALE OWE THAT RECORD TO

# A MAN WHO BROKE TWO WRISTS

One grey day in 1943 a young goalkeeper named Raymond King shaped to take a penalty kick from Tommy Lawton, then with Everton.

Lawton hit the ball low and hard towards one corner of the goal. Ray King dived to push it out... and in one tragic second broke both wrists.

That finished his football... for a while. King became a beat-pounding policeman. But eventually he returned to football with Ashington, the mining town that gave Jackie Milburn of Newcastle to the game.

Leiston Orient saw him, liked him, signed him in 1946. He made one solitary appearance. It was against Northampton. And in diving to save a hard drive, he... broke his right wrist again.

Two years went by before brother George, then Port Vale centre-half, now with Gillingham, talked Ray into making a come-back.

Yes, Ray King is the goalkeeper and captain of probably the finest defence in Britain today—Port Vale.

## BEST RECORD

In 20 League and Cup games Ray has let only ten goals through. You can't find another goalkeeper with that record, say experts.

Manager Freddie Steele says Ray is so good because he is

so happy at Port Vale with his family around him.

Ask Ray himself and he'll tell you that splendid record is due to the fine teamwork and expert covering of Reg Polla, Stan Turner, and skipper Tom Chaddock.

Up to town on Saturday to Loftus Road came King and the Iron Curtain—that goal-grudging Port Vale defence.

Queen's Park Rangers fans saw Port Vale win 1-0 and reach the fourth round of the Cup.

The fans were impressed. "What a goalkeeper," King's name... fancy him being in Third Division football... see him stop that one from... he's a good 'un... went the comments.

Yes, they liked Ray King. And there is no better example of the heavy tag—you can't keep a good man down—not even with broken wrists.

Yes, the courage, persistence, cheerfulness, and skill of Raymond King have had a lot to do with making the Potteries so proud of Port Vale. —(London Express Service)

## WHEN THE BALL GOT AWAY



Luton Town goalkeeper Stretton put up his hands to ward off the ball but found it had gone harmlessly over the bar as Blackpool's centre-forward, Stanley Mortensen, sliding on one knee, managed to get only his toe to it.

This third round FA Cup replay ended in a goalless draw on January 13. A second replay yesterday again ended in a 1-1 draw. Blackpool are the Cup holders.—Reuterphoto.

## SPOTLIGHTING THE THREE-YEAR-OLDS OF 1954

# Moonlight Express Must Be Placed At The Top

By JAMES PARK

Having dealt with all the leading colts in the Free Handicap, attention can now be turned to those who did not qualify for treatment by the handicapper. Pride of place must be awarded to Moonlight Express.

In this series I do not intend to delve into turf politics. It is well known that Paddy Prendergast, trainer of Moonlight Express, has had a ban placed on his activities by the Stewards of the Jockey Club.

I cannot forecast how long that will remain in force, and for the present Moonlight Express can only be dealt with in the ordinary way.

## WON ON SAME DAY

It is my view that the colt was the best of his age and sex to race in England in 1953. I even place him above The Plo King, who was top weight in the Free Handicap with 9st. 7lb. That will probably come as a surprise to some people, but I think there

is a sound line on which to base an opinion.

The Plo King and Moonlight Express won on the same day at York in August. I clocked Moonlight Express to do 59.70 for the five furlongs. The Plo King galloped six furlongs in 1.24.5.

Obviously Moonlight Express could have beaten The Plo King's time if the former could have carried through at the same pace for the extra furlong. I have not the slightest doubt that he could have done so.

The Plo King was under pressure after half a mile. He did not gain a definite advantage until the last furlong and then laid himself down to his work in fine style to gain a four-length advantage.

It is admitted that Moonlight Express was not opposed to such good class, but to refresh my memory I have looked up my racecard. This is what I find: "Won like a top-class two-year-old. Soon out with the lead and galloped the opposition to a standstill. A very easy winner."

## STRIDING OUT

I will only add that as he went past the post the colt was still striding out to the full, and I formed the opinion that he could have kept on for more than another furlong without undue effort.

The following day we were at Lingfield. Sir Gordon Richards came up to our stand to watch one of the races in which he was not riding. I said to him: "Which of the two-year-olds you won on yesterday would you prefer?"

After thinking it over, Sir Gordon replied: "I don't know about just now, but I know which one I would prefer in six weeks' time." I suggested that even now Moonlight Express was the better and Sir Gordon did not demur.

I know all about what Moonlight Express had to beat. What he accomplished to my watch is good enough for me. Apart from that, I also prefer Moonlight Express to The Plo King as an individual. The former boasts of more quality and has a delightful action.

## RAN TWICE

Moonlight Express ran on only two occasions. He was beaten by a stable companion first time

out in Ireland. Then came the York race. The colt was to have run in the Middle Park Stakes, but a slight cough prevented him doing so.

Despite the fact that Moonlight Express ran only once in this country, I place him at the top of the tree. He has everything a good colt should have and I believe the stable think that he will develop into a worthy candidate for Derby honours.

The colt is by Blue Train out of Romantique by Tiberius out of Swastika, whose dam, Swastika, originally belonged to Lord Rosebery. In tail-female it is a notable family and there is no reason why Moonlight Express should not focus attention on it once more.

—(London Express Service)

# AMERICAN SPEED SKATERS ANGRY WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT

Jamestown, New York, Jan. 18.

Mr Richard Sherman, President of the Amateur Skating Union of the United States, said today that Russia would not have won the World Speed Skating Championships in Japan if Americans had competed.

Mr Sherman told reporters the Americans might not have won the Championships themselves, but he did not think the Russians would have won either.

Still smarting under the State Department's refusal to allow

him and three skaters to fly to Japan at reduced rates for the events, Mr Sherman said the Americans could have taken the 500 Metres event in one, two, three order.

Boris Shilkov, who won the individual Championship in the four-race competition with 197.463 points, raced the 500 Metres in 45.4 seconds.

Other Russians finished second, third, fifth and eighth in total points.

Mr Sherman pointed out that Olympic Champion Ken Henry skated the 500 Metres course in 43.2 seconds in 1952, and has bettered Shilkov's mark several times since.

John Werket and Pat McNamara both excel at 500 metres and could have taken the number two and three places in the event, Mr Sherman said.

McNamara, Mr Sherman said, had skated the 1,500 Metres as fast as Shilkov's 2:22.5.

With the Americans putting on the pressure, the other entries, particularly the Dutch and the Swedes, would have taken heart after losing the first two events, Mr Sherman added.

The American team's plans to fly to Japan were broken when the State Department refused to authorise a commercial airline to fly the skaters at reduced rates.—Reuter.

# WEST INDIANS WELL AHEAD IN FIRST TEST

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 18.

England had lost six wickets for 100 runs at tea in reply to the West Indies total of 417 in the first Test here. At lunch England were 29 for one wicket.

The West Indies had earlier lost their remaining three first innings wickets for the addition of only nine runs.

Freddie Trueman and Brian Statham, the England fast bowlers, took 20 minutes to polish off the innings.

The pitch was grassier than on the first two days. Ray Gomez, medium paced bowler who opened the West Indies attack, with Desmond Kentish, bent Hutton in the first over with a ball which kept low, but missed the stumps.

Kentish appealed twice for leg before against Watson in his first over but the ball appeared to be going well down the leg side. But with the first delivery of his third over Gomez knocked out Watson's off stump with only four runs on the board.

Watson, who made three, played outside to a ball which swung into him.

After a few overs the ball seemed to move in the air and Hutton and Peter May played quite comfortably. Ten minutes before lunch Sonny Ramadhin went in for his first bowling spell. The little spinner bowled much slower than when in England in 1950, relying more on a change of pace and flight.

May played him well, reaching well forward to smother the spins, and once hit him on the full pitch to the square leg boundary.

At lunch England were 29 for one made in 55 minutes.

In defence Hutton was supremely certain, but when he launched into the attack he did not time the ball so well.

## OUT GOES HUTTON

After mistiming Valentine and Ramadhin in turn, he eventually fell to Valentine, who bowled a single over from one end, changed ends and then claimed this valuable wicket with his third ball which was a shade short of a length.

England's captain tried to pull the ball to the off for a single but the ball touched the inside of his bat, a foot outside the off stump, and flew back into his stumps.

The crowd went wild with excitement at the fall of Hutton's wicket and the fieldsmen were right on their toes as Denis Compton struggled to get off the mark.

May had a lucky escape when a ball went very close to Wicket at slip and sped on to the boundary.

Compton swept and drove Valentine for two boundaries in one over but at 73 he fell to the

slow left arm bowler. Stretching down the pitch he was struck on the left leg for lbw.

England were then in a dangerous position, needing 100 more runs to save the follow on.

England's position grew worse when May gently lifted a long hop from Ramadhin to Headley at mid-wicket. This was Ramadhin's worse delivery of the innings and one which normally May would have sent flashing to the boundary.

England had lost four wickets in 79 minutes for 79 runs. Apart from the unlucky manner of Hutton's dismissal poor batting accounted for England's failure.—Reuter.

## FACED WITH FOLLOW-ON

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 18.

England were faced with the follow-on when stumps were drawn today in the first Test against the West Indies, having scored only 168 for the loss of nine wickets against the home side's first innings total of 417.

Bailey, 28 not out, and Moss, 0 not out, are faced with the necessity of making 100 runs to avert a follow-on.

Gomez, two for 16, Ramadhin four for 66, and Valentine, three for 50, brought about England's collapse. Hutton was out for 24, Peter May for 31 and Denis Compton for 12.

Trueman was seen in a breezy ninth wicket stand with Bailey which realised 30 runs. The Yorkshire fast bowler started with a six out of the ground and went on to make 18 before falling to Gomez.

Bailey played a stolid innings lasting 146 minutes for his 20 not out.—Reuter.

# Colony Squash Championship Semi-finals

The Colony Squash Championship semi-finals will be played off this evening in the Victoria Barracks Squash Courts.

The times will be staggered in order to permit spectators to see as much of both games as possible.

In the top half of the draw, C. H. P. Pritchard plays the winner of the quarter-final match between Car J. L. Rigge and W/Cdr J. Kettlewell.

Rigge is defending the title which he won last year and on current form he must be considered the favourite. He should beat Kettlewell who hits the ball hard, but, at times, erratically.

In Pritchard, however, he will find a player who, if he should play the standard of squash of which he is capable, can beat anyone at present in the Colony. Pritchard has had two evenly contested games against Maj. Kyte and Col. Sullivan, and in both cases he has kept enough in reserve to outplay his opponent in the final game.

In the bottom half of the draw, R. M. Macpherson, aged 30, plays D. Coffey. This match should be very close and there should be some fast action in it. Both players have reached the semi-final without undue difficulty though Coffey had a lucky win over P. L. Holmes who bruised a shoulder and had to retire in the early stages of the game.

The first match will commence at 5.30 p.m.

The final will be played on Thursday, commencing at 8.30 p.m., and the trophies will be presented to the winner and the runner-up at the conclusion of the match.

## THE GAMBOLS

by Barry Appleby



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## Snooker League

China Fleet Club, lost 2-3, to CPO's Moss, HMS Tamar, in a George Younger Snooker League match last night.

Hongkong Signals Regiment beat Dockyard R.C. 3-2.







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## Iranian Editors

Told Not To

Offend Russia

Tehran, Jan. 18.

Khalil Bozorgmehr, director

of the Propaganda Service of

the Iranian Government, to-

night appealed to editors of the

country's leading press organs

to take all appropriate steps

to prevent any harm being

done to Soviet-Iran relations.

The director called a special

meeting of the press, during

which he asked the representa-

tives present to take heed of

the recent Soviet protest

against a number of articles

published in the Iranian press.

Bozorgmehr said that the Gov-

ernment might find it necessary

to take measures provided for

by law if these directives were

not followed.

He made this statement when

an editor objected that the

Iranian press was only replying

to attacks made by the Soviet

press and radio.—France-Press.

## KIDNAPPING

SUSPECTED

Singapore, Jan. 18.

Police fear that the Singapore

Chinese tobacco millionaire, Lim

King Glin, who has been missing

since last Friday, may have

been kidnapped, although his

relatives have not received any

ransom demands.

Lim left home for his office

last Friday but did not arrive.

An anonymous phone call to

his office which said Lim's car

could be found in a Singapore

lane, was the first clue to his

disappearance.

The car was discovered un-

damaged.

Police today questioned

relatives of the millionaire but

would not make any statement

on their investigations.

Mrs. Lim, interviewed, told

reporters "I have heard nothing,

but I am not worried."—Reuter.

## Egypt Signs

Trade Pact

With Rumania

Cairo, Jan. 18.

Egypt and Rumania signed a

trade and payments agreement

for exchange of goods worth

half a million Egyptian pounds

here last night.

Rumanian tankers will carry

oil and all products to

Alexandria. Other exports to

Egypt will include livestock,

foodstuffs, canned meat and

chemicals.

Egypt will sell Rumania

cotton and cotton textiles,

phosphates, onions, sponges

and glass.

Under the agreement re-

ports are prohibited without

special permission.

Mr Ibrahim Bassoul, Direc-

tor of Economic Affairs in the

Egyptian Foreign Ministry, said

a trade agreement between

Egypt and the Soviet Union was

nearing completion.

Russia accepted the principle

of trade with Egypt through

Russian or Egyptian commercial

agents and not directly through

governments, Bassoul said.

Trade between the two coun-

tries has hitherto been conducted

on a barter basis.

Egypt is conducting talks with

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